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Urban Unemployment
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

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(a) whether one of the major causes of urban unemployment is the large scale migration of people from rural to urban areas and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether the growth of economic opportunities in urban areas has failed to keep pace with the quantum of immigration; and
(c) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the capacity of urban areas to create employment opportunities and absorb the rapid growth of the urban labour force?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) to (c): As reported under the census 2001, migration in search of work and business accounts for only 4.9%.

'Land' and 'Colonisation' are State subjects and it is the responsibility of States to improve the capacity of urban areas to create employment opportunities and absorb the growth of urban population. To supplement the efforts of States, however, the Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation has launched the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana − National Urban Livelihood Mission (DAY-NULM) which aims to reduce poverty and vulnerability of the urban poor households by enabling them to access gainful self employment and skilled wage employment opportunities. DAY-NULM has been extended to all statutory towns.

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